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FM AMEMBASSY FREETOWN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 9480

INFO AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

AMEMBASSY ACCRA

AMEMBASSY DAKAR

S/AMEMBASSY LAGOS 809

AMEMBASSY MONROVIA

AMCONSUL CASABLANCA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRN, OCLR, XA

SUBJECT: CIVAIR - ONA CHARTER FLIGHT FUEL PROBLEMS

REF STATE 081599

1. PRESIDENT'S OFFICE AND DEFENSE MINISTRY CONVEYED TO EMBASSY THIS MORNING GOSL APPROVAL OF ONA'S REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO LAND AND REFUEL FOUR TIMES AT FREETOWN INTERNATIONAL. ONA'S COMMERCIAL CABLE, ON WHICH WE BASED EMBASSY LETTER TO GOSL, MADE NO REPEAT NO REFERENCE TO DESTINATION/ORIGIN OF FLIGHTS AND GOSL DID NOT SEEK THIS INFORMATION FROM EMBASSY. IN ADDITION TO THIS FORMAL NOTIFICATION, EMBASSY SOUGHT AND RECEIVED INFORMAL ASSURANCES FROM CIVAIR OFFICIALS THAT ADEQUATE FUEL AVAILABLE.

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2. IF DEPARTMENT AND ONA ARE PREPARED TO CARRY OUT LANDING/

REFUELING ON BASIS OF THIS APPROVAL, EMBASSY WOULD LIKE
TO TAKE POSITION THAT WE DO NOT KNOW ORIGIN/DESTINATION
AND THAT WE HAVE ONLY ACTED AS A CONDUIT FOR ONA'S ROUTINE
REQUEST MADE KNOWN TO EMBASSY BY THEIR COMMERCIAL CABLE.
IF ORIGIN/DESTINATION BECAME KNOWN BEFORE LAST REFUELING,
EMBASSY SUSPECTS GOSL WOULD HONOR ITS AGREEMENT TO REFUEL.

3. TO INFORM THE GOSL OF ORIGIN/DESTINATION NOW WOULD HIGHLIGHT THIS
ISSUE IN A WAY THAT WOULD INVITE DELAY AND A POSSIBLE
RESCINDING OF APPROVAL.

4. IF FLIGHTS TO STOP FOR FUEL AT FREETOWN, EMBASSY REQUESTS
BY IMMEDIATE CABLE NEW ETA'S WHICH EMBASSY WILL FORWARD TO
CIVAIR OFFICIALS.
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